

## **Parkland School District Website Options**

**Parkland Web Guidelines** – Please read the guidelines posted by the PSD School Board: [http://www.psba.org/districts\\_policies/p/446/POLPARK816.pdf](http://www.psba.org/districts_policies/p/446/POLPARK816.pdf)

Parkland offers several options for teachers to create an online presence and communicate with students and parents.

For questions about any of these applications or to obtain accounts for Google websites or Wordpress websites, contact Joan McCue at [mccuej@parklandsd.org](mailto:mccuej@parklandsd.org) or extension 65562. (If you have a Google account on the Parkland domain for Google Docs, you will see the option to create a Google Site in the same account.)

### **Google websites on the Parkland domain.**

Web based site – no software is required and it can be updated from any computer with Internet access

Easy to use – updates are done with a text editor similar to MS Office

Ability to upload files and pictures

Integrates with Google calendar and Google docs.

Multiple templates available.

No advertising shows when using Parkland domain.

Examples of Google websites:

<https://sites.google.com/a/parklandsd.net/mrsyslo/> or

<https://sites.google.com/a/parklandsd.net/dr-tice/> or

<https://sites.google.com/a/parklandsd.net/explorers/>

### **Wordpress Websites**

Wordpress is the same software used by Edublogs but it is hosted on Parkland's server so there are more options.

Web based software - no software is needed.

Site can be updated from any computer with Internet access.

#### **Blogging with option for threaded discussions**

Pages can be password protected.

Page layout options – 1, 2 or 3 columns

Parkland templates for each school

Ability to upload files and pictures

Add “news” items as posts and archive items by month

Examples of Wordpress websites:

<http://parklandsd.org/web/clipper/>

<http://parklandsd.org/web/coval/>

<http://parklandsd.org/web/eckhoff/>  
<http://parklandsd.org/web/kuder/>  
<http://parklandsd.org/web/mandry/>

## **Wikispaces**

Web based collaboration tool that can be used as a website.

Easy to use.

Ability to upload files and pictures.

No advertisements on teacher sites

Ability to lock pages to keep others from updating information

Ability to keep wiki "private" so only wiki members can view content

Discussion area for wiki pages

Examples of Wikispaces:

<http://snydere1.wikispaces.com/>  
<http://sproul.wikispaces.com/>  
<http://cehitout.wikispaces.com/>

## **Iweb**

Iweb uses software on the Apple computers.

The website can be stored on the Parkland webserver.

Fetch software is required on the laptop to upload web files.

Multiple templates available.

Web files are stored on local computer drive and must be backed up on a flash drive or network drive.

**\*\*\*\* Must have a mac computer to edit websites. Iweb can't be edited in any other software.**

Examples of iweb:

<http://psdweb.parklandsd.org/livesey/>  
<http://psdweb.parklandsd.org/robbins/Welcome.html>